UNSTARED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

P. W. Division Office at Nagercoil.

11. **MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR** (*Tovala* cum *Agastiswaram*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the P. W. Division Office in Nagercoil was inspected by the Auditors in 1112 or 1113 ;

(*b*) how many cases of acceptance of tenders other than the lowest were noticed ; and

(*c*) the reasons recorded for accepting such tenders ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) :

(*a*) The P. W. Division Office was inspected by the Auditors in 1113 and no inspection was made in 1112.

(*b*) No mention was made by the Auditors regarding acceptance of tenders in 1113.

(*c*) This does not arise in view of answer to part (*b*).

Introduction of improved means of fishing.

12. **MR. CODIVEETIL C. RAMANKUNJU** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether any officer of the Fisheries Department has since its inception been able :

(*a*) to devise and introduce any new or improved implement for fishing ;

(*b*) to introduce any method of preparing fish and fish oil or other fish products for the market in addition to those existed in the country before the inauguration of the Department ;

(*c*) to introduce and develop any foreign species of fish into the State ;

(*d*) to ascertain the possibilities of profitable fish-breeding in inland waters ; and

(*e*) to find out the cause of disappearance of oil sardine and some other species of fish continuously for years together ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) to (*d*). Yes.

(*e*) No.

Applications for appointment as Fishery Inspector.

13. **MR. CODIVEETIL C. RAMANKUNJU** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the names, qualification and caste of persons applied for the Fishery Inspector's place fell vacant by the retirement of Mr. K. M. Pothen ;

(*b*) of the above who all belonged to the fishing class ;

(*c*) who were the persons recommended by the Public Service Commissioner ;

(*d*) what are the qualifications of the person appointed ; and

(*e*) whether the Government have considered the claims of members of the fishing classes in view of their past orders and assurances ?

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